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HIGHLIGHTS

- Now new fires were reported to the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center on Tuesday.
- The Parks Highway Fire was flown Tuesday with heat-sensing equipment and some areas of heat were found in the interior of the fire. Fire personnel continue to provide structure protection for cabins and allotments, while others are working on mop-up. For more information on the Parks Highway Fire visit: http://www.parkshighwayfire.com/ or call 907-460-2761.
- Currently there are 13 active fires in Alaska. The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center (AICC) reports that so far this year 196 fires statewide have burned nearly 196,800 acres. For additional information about fire activity in Alaska, please visit: http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf.
- Areas with significant fire activity in the Lower-48 continue to be the southwest and Nevada. There are nine large fires in the southwest and 14 large fires in Nevada. For more information about the national situation visit: http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf
 - For additional references, see next page -

ADDITIONAL REFERENCES

- Alaska Interagency Coordination Center: http://fire.ak.blm.gov
- Parks Highway Fire:

 (907) 832-1835, (907) 451-3031, http://parkshighwayfire.com/
- Department of Transportation (Road Closure Info): (907) 451-2240, http://511.alaska.gov
- Division of Forestry, Burn Permit Info: (907) 451-2626
- Department of Environmental Conservation (Smoke Concerns): http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm
- National Parks Service: www.nps.gov/akso/Fire/firehome.htm
- National Weather Service: http://www.nws.noaa.gov/
- Temporary Flight Restriction Information: http://airspace.nifc.gov/mapping/nifc
- Federal Aviation Administration: http://www.faa.gov

The Bureau of Land Management Alaska Fire Service provides wildland fire suppression services for all Department of the Interior and Native Corporation lands in Alaska, and assists those entities with other fire management activities including: guidance and interpretation of fire policy for BLM Alaska and management of the BLM Alaska aviation program. In addition to fire suppression missions, AFS also conducts prescribed fires in accordance with various partner agreements.